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1. [] simultaneously with the formation of the Armored Force Command, 25X1
the Chinese Communists established a unified Artillery Command. This marked the
beginning of the development of a modern artillery force.

2. The Artillery Command is directly subordinate to Chinese Communist Army Head-
quarters, and is commanded by CH'EN Hsi-lien (陳錫聯), formerly commander of the
3 Army Group, 2 Field Army (FA). WAN I (萬毅), formerly commander of the Special
Units of the 4 FA, is his deputy.

3. The Chinese Communists plan to organize twenty modern artillery divisions and six
modern anti-aircraft divisions []

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4. The attached plan shows details of the Artillery Command organization []

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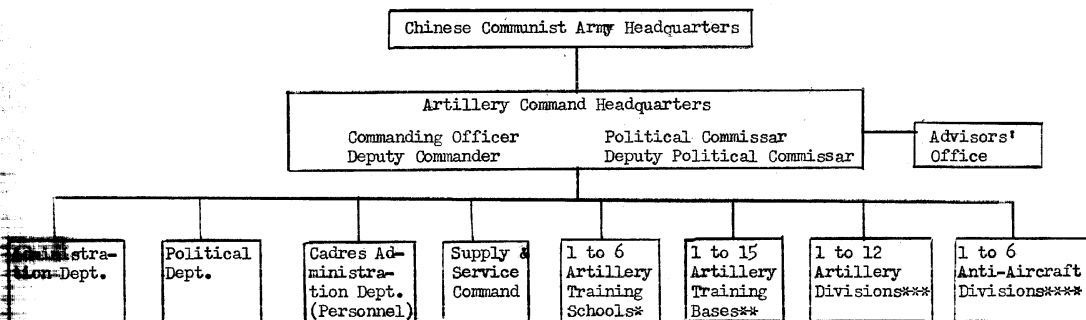
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the Chinese Communist Artillery Command was organized as follows:



* The six artillery training schools are located as follows: 1 at Sian; 2 at Chungking; 3 at Nanking; 4 at Hankow; 5 at T'ungshien (116-39, 139-55); and 6 at Harbin.

** Locations unknown.

*** The 1 to 8 Artillery Divisions have been organized from artillery regiments formerly assigned as integral units of the field armies. The 9 to 12 Artillery Divisions have been newly organized.

**** There will be six anti-aircraft divisions. Three of these have not yet completed their organization. With the exception of those stationed in the northwest, these divisions will all be placed under the direct command of the Anti-Air Command (sic) of the various major military areas.